

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: Benjamin OSHLACK, et al.
Serial No. Not yet assigned
Filed: Herewith
For: **CONTROLLED-RELEASE COMPOSITIONS
CONTAINING AN OPIOID AGONIST AND
ANTAGONIST**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1, with the following paragraph:

-- This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/781,076, filed February 8, 2001, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/181,358, filed February 8, 2000, the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entireties.--